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State Law Supreme in Spite of Consolidated Capital and Federal Court Injunctions!

The Railroads Surrender and Will Put the 2¼ cent Rate in Operation on All Lines on or Before August 8

THANK GOD AND GOVERNOR GLENN THE TARHEEL STATE STILL HAS THE RIGHT TO MAKE LAWS AND ENFORCE THEM WITHOUT ASKING CONSENT OF A FEDERAL JUDGE

Beginning of the End in Monopolistic Control of Law-Making Bodies—Other States Will FOLLOW Where North Carolina LEADS!

Lawlessness and Anarchy Will Not Be Tolerated Here, Whether the Violators Are Wealthy and Influential Corporations or Common Thugs—"Obey the Law, then Seek Redress through Our Courts" Was the Ultimatum, and the Railroads Wisely Decided to Obey—A Threatened Extra Session of the Legislature Was too Strenuous a Proposition for the Railroads to Face.

The threatened conflict between the State of North Carolina and the Federal government over the enforcement of the new 2¼ cent passenger rate, adopted by the last legislature, has been averted by an agreement reached at a conference between Governor Glenn and the counsel of state and the general counsel for the railroads.

One of the principal influences which has led to this agreement was undoubtedly the threat of Governor Glenn that he would call the legislature in extra session unless the railroads obeyed the law. This was the last thing the railroads wanted done. The feeling engendered throughout the state by their refusal to obey the law would undoubtedly have made an extra session unpleasant for them.

The state of North Carolina has won in its fight to have its passenger rate law of 2¼ cents observed by all the railroads pending an appeal to the courts by the roads of the state which propose to fight the law.

The promise of obedience to the law by the Southern and the Atlantic Coast Line railways, which, since July 1, the date set for the rate law to go into effect, have been violating the law, was given at a conference which the railroads sought with Governor Glenn, who has stated as a precedent to any agreement he might make, that the 2¼ cent rate law must be put into effect.

The conference was a private one, newspaper men being excluded at the request of the railroad attorneys. After the conference Governor Glenn stated that at the beginning of the conference the railroad representatives stated that they were ready to agree to the 2¼ cent rate, later to be tested in the original injunction case before Judge Pritchard, an appeal if necessary to be taken by the state to the United States supreme court, while the railroads would appeal the Wake county case to the North Carolina supreme court, and if necessary take the case on

writ of error to the United States supreme court.

The only trouble in the conference was a selection of the date at which the 2¼ cent rate should become effective. The railroads wanted a longer time than the state was willing to grant, but finally the 8th of August was agreed upon, as the railroad representatives stated that it would be impossible sooner to make the proper arrangements at the various ticket offices to supply tickets and to fix rates.

Following is the basis of agreement:

The agreement entered into by the Atlantic Coast Line, the Southern railway and the state is:

"1. The railroads put the two and one-fourth cent rate into effect not later than August 8, 1907.

"2. The state to appeal from the order of Judge Pritchard in discharging parties in Asheville on writs of habeas corpus.

"3. The Southern railway appeals to the Supreme Court of North Carolina in the Wake county cases, and if the case is there decided against it, to take the case by writ of error to the Supreme Court of the United States.

"4. That both sides co-operate to have both said cases advanced and argued together and speedily determined.

"5. The state, at its option, to to indict the Atlantic Coast Line in one case.

"All indictments and prosecutions now pending to be dismissed and no other indictments or prosecutions to be instituted for any alleged violations of the law up to the time the new two and one-fourth cent rate is put into effect under this arrangement, as far as the governor can control the same.

"The governor advises all people against bringing any penalty suits pending final determination of the question involved, and asks the people as a whole to acquiesce in this arrangement.

"The suit pending before Judge Pritchard to be diligently prosecuted without the state, however, waving any question of

jurisdiction."

Messrs. Alfred B. Thom and Alexander P. Humphrey, counsel for the Southern Railway company, understand that the Southern railway will not inaugurate contempt proceedings because of anything heretofore done by any of the state officers in connection with the rate litigation. They agree to do all they can to prevent the inauguration of such contempt proceedings.

This agreement between Governor Glenn and the Southern railway is also assented to by George Rountree, attorney for R. Nelson Buckley and others, complainants, and Alexander Hamilton, general counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company, except that they do not consent that the Atlantic Coast Line railroad shall be indicted in one case. As to this clause in the agreement, they leave the state at liberty to do as its sense of duty may dictate.

THE HAYWOOD VERDICT.

As everybody hoped, but few dared expect, William D. Haywood was yesterday acquitted of the murder of Governor Steunenberg. That at least was the charge which was used to hide the real character of one of the most dastardly conspiracies which American history affords. The climax of the wholesale persecution of the Western Miners' Federation was reached when a thing called Orchard, a liar and a perjurer proven, was dragged out of his lair to help the dirty Pinkerton association to fasten its clutches on innocent men.

The struggle between the Mine Owners' Association and the Western Federation of Miners has been a long and better one. Crimes have been committed by members of each organization. The methods employed by the mine owners in their desire to exterminate the union, have not been creditable to the state of Colorado, as the evidence in the trial of Haywood very clearly brought out. Their systems of employing men of unsavory char-

acter to hound and bully the union men, and the tactics of the army of Pinkertons in their endeavor to secure evidence will be condemned by the public. But the worst feature of the long warfare, as shown by the evidence, was the domination of politics in that state by the mine owners, and the employment of the state administration to harass the miners. The militia was illegally ordered to the scene of the conflict, martial law declared, and innocent men forcibly taken from their homes and thrown into the "bull pen" without an opportunity for trial. The property of the union men was destroyed, and hundreds of them "deported" from the community on the flimsiest of charges.

There is much promise for the future to be found in the fact that in a jury composed for the most part of business and professional men, only two members ever having worked for wages, should smash at the outset a conspiracy which had for its object the annihilation of honest men. The promise lies in the possibility that congress will be asked to investigate the machinations of the Pinkerton agency and those who employed it. Such action would be a warning and notice to disgruntled corporations and capitalists, who would wipe out organized labor, that the days of the Spanish inquisition have passed for all time.—Asheville Citizen.

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